# Dodge County - Broadband Workgroup Wednesday, May 1, 2019

#### Call to Order

Russell Kottke, County Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### Workgroup Introductions and Roll Call

Benter, Ed Duchac, Jeffry Glewen, Becky Guckenberger, David Marsik, Joe Olson, Nate

Powell, Matt Reynolds, Justin Thompson, Annette

#### Others Present:

Jim MielkeRuss KottkeBill EhlenbeckKen BaehlerMark DodgeDavid RollerKaren BoydLori HillMike HillRoger HildebrandtDennis R. SchmidtCeleste Flynn

# Election of Broadband Workgroup Chair

Motion by Joe Marsik, seconded by Nate Olson to nominate Jeffry Duchac as chair. Motion carried.

# Election of Broadband Workgroup Vice-Chair and Secretary

Motion by Nate Olson, seconded by Annette Thompson to nominate Joe Marsik as vice chair. Motion carried.

Motion by Nate Olson, seconded by Jeffry Duchac to nominate Justin Reynolds as secretary. Motion carried.

# Review Purpose and Goals of Broadband Workgroup

Nate Olson summarized how the Broadband Workgroup was created by Dodge County Board of Supervisors. Nate Olson also reviewed the purpose and goals of the group, as well as its role in making recommendations to the Dodge County Board of Supervisors. The PSC grant application and timeline was reviewed.

#### Presentation by Netwurx

Ken Baehler and David Roller, both of Netwurx, presented information on Netwurx and explained the purpose and need of broadband. An explanation was given regarding the types of services available, provider information, and the coverage areas for Dodge County. They further discussed steps to get started and information needed for a potential grant application. Mark Dodge of Bertram Internet provided additional information Dodge County coverage and Bertram's involvement with Netwurx.

### Jefferson County Activities and Possible Partnership Opportunities

Ken Baehler explained his involvement with assisting Jefferson County with their grant application.

The workgroup had follow up questions for the presenters and discussed future meeting points.

# **Next Meetings**

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 - 11:00 a.m. - Administration Building (Rooms 1H/1I) Wednesday, June 12, 2019 - 1:00 p.m. - Administration Building (Rooms 1H/1I)

#### Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.